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Steer Dinner Achieves Fund-raising Goal

The Steer Dinner, Avila's primary fund-raising event, achieved its goal of \$25,000, January 28.

These funds will be directed towards the Student Aid Endowment Fund.

Bob Wormington served as host for the evening and also assisted Auctioneer Stanley Stout.

Mr. Stout stepped out of his role as auctioneer and assisted Avila's soccer team co-captains,

Joe Schrick and Tom Zahner auction two soccer balls.

Another highlight was the auction of a dinner sponsored by the American Royal Syndicate at the Crystal Pavilion restaurant.

Sister Elaine Margaret Besand won the Jones Store Shopping Spree and returned the prize to be auctioned. Mrs. Susan McMeel won the bid and requested the money go to the library in memory of James F.

Andrews.

Drawings of wine went to Mrs. Ann Gramowsky, Mrs. Jeanette Lee, Mr. Jim Williams, and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hardin.

Drawings for the silver spoons from the O'Rielly estate went to Mr. Seven Lewerenz and Mrs. Pat Coleman.



The Marian Centre Dining Room is most active with over 270 guests attending the seventh annual American Steer Dinner. Next year's Steer Dinner will be a highlight of Avila celebrating twenty years on its present campus.



Jim Wright expresses his point-of-view in his song presentation at the Steer Dinner.



Stanley Stout prepares for auction action as Bob Wormington describes the boxes of steaks and bottles of wine to be sold at the Steer Dinner.



Susanna Velasquez's costume adds a special touch to the theme song she presents to the Steer Dinner guests.

Off to the Races!!

June 11, 1983

Avila's annual day at the races in Omaha for friends and alumni

\$38.00 per person

Includes: Rolls, Coffee, Refreshments,
Club House Reservations, Travel

Leave Avila College Blasco Hall at 8:00 a.m.
Return to campus at 11:00 p.m. (approximately)

Sign-up deadline is May 16

Paid Reservations Honored

Contact: Sr. Rose Anthony — 942-8400 Ext. 277;
or Nancy Barr — 942-8400 Ext. 271;
or Katie O'Neill — 931-2933 (home)

Masthead Photo: It is the custom at Avila that a prayer is offered and a patriotic song is sung at each athletic event. At a recent event in Mabee Fieldhouse, Kathy Hall offers a prayer. Jon Hyde, Booster Club member, listens from his station at the announcer's table.

Nursing Department Receives Grant

The Department of Nursing has received approximately \$474,000 from the Hallmark Education Foundation.

These funds are for an endowment for the department chairperson's salary, student scholarship and recruitment, and faculty and curriculum development.

The grant also includes funds for the Distinguished Chair Lecture Series sponsored by the Department of Nursing.

Marilyn Ferguson, author of *The Aquarian Conspiracy: Personal and Social Transformation in the 1980's* was the first to speak in the series.

Sister Barbara Moore, Chairperson of the Department of Nursing, said the lecture series will focus on the philosophy of the department: the holistic approach to health care.



Attending the reception honoring Sr. Barbara Moore are faculty members and guests of the College: Sr. Martha Smith, Kay Sullivan, Sylvia Maher, Karen Pierce, Diana Foote, and Irene Weinzirl.



Also in attendance are Sr. Mary Irene Downs, Judi Roling, Sr. Martha Niemann, Rev. Robert H. Stewart, and Sr. Ellen Dukes.

Scholarship Sponsors



Enjoying the Scholarship Sponsors' pre-luncheon social are Kathleen McCallum, Mary Helm, Meribel Ganley, Wilma Fisher, and Ann Marie Francis.



Sr. Barbara Moore presents a nursing student with a pin signifying the student's successful completion of the nursing program at Avila. Sr. Barbara has been chairperson of the department since August of 1982.



Members were delighted with the student entertainment provided at the luncheon. Pictured are (front row) Theresa Fischer, Karen Greene; (second row) Libby (Mrs. Norman) Gordon, Sr. de La Salle McKeon; (back row) Jim Wright, David Jones.



Seated at their luncheon table are Loretto (Mrs. Joseph) Purcell, Charlotte (Mrs. George) O'Malley, Twila (Mrs. Kenneth) Hegarty, Helen (Mrs. Bernard) Glynn, Cathryn (Mrs. Philip) Russell, and Josephine (Mrs. Fred A.) Ellfeldt.

Three Plays To End Theatre Season



In the musical comedy "Company," all of Bobby's friends are married. Pictured are the wives conspiring to undo Bobby's bachelorhood. From left to right are Theresa Fischer, Cyndia Meyer, Nancy Nail, Anna Pileggi, Laura Magruder, and Hayden Logston.

The Goppert Theatre will present "**Company**," by Stephen Sondheim and George Furth. Performance dates are April 15, 16, 22, and 23 at 8:00 p.m.

The anti-hero, Bobby, of this musical comedy struggles with the question "to wed or not to

wed." Viewing the oddities and eccentricities of the marriages among his close friends, Bobby questions his own desire to marry out of the essential aloneness which he feels.

Attractive, intelligent, charming and funny, "**Company**" is a

New York Drama Critic's Best Musical and Tony Award winning play.

For reservations contact the Goppert Box Office at 942-8408.

"**The Cruise**" is a comedy murder mystery which takes place on a cruise ship.

Two single women receive a knock on their cabin door, a corpse drops in with a brief case filled with a million dollars.

The rest of the girls' evening is anything but dead.

"**Miss Mallay Was Right**" is an award winning original play by K.C. playwright, Felicia Londré. A touching and loving story about a grandmother's last afternoon visit with her granddaughter, and her own reminiscences of youth.

"**The Cruise**" and "**Miss Millay Was Right**" will be double-billed on the evenings of April 19 and 20 in Avila's Alternate Theatre (lower O'Rielly Hall).

Admission is \$2.00.

Avila Student, Graduate Share Common Bond

Politics involve and affect people everywhere in varying degrees.

One Avila student, Mike Kelley, and one Avila graduate, Darrek Porter, are finding themselves in the midst of the political decision-making process.

Darrek, who graduated this past December with a major in political science is currently working for Representative Alan Wheat as a caseworker.

He assists constituents with a variety of problems, including social security and veterans benefits and housing and student loan problems.

Mike, a junior majoring in political science, is also working for Wheat as a Congressional Aide.

He is the Mobile Office Manager and will be in charge of Wheat's mobile office when it is started in the Spring.

Mike enjoys his work and had the following comments: "There is always something different about my job. You never know what is going to happen next."

Darrek finds that his position

is constantly stimulating and challenging.

He also thinks one of the most interesting aspects of his work is talking to Wheat and watching him at meetings. He feels that he is gaining valuable first-hand experience on how to meet people.

As for Darrek's future, he is uncertain whether he will ever run for any political office, but

he said he will "always be involved in politics in some way."

Mike, on the other hand, does not think he will follow politics as a career, although he does enjoy the contact with people that his work provides.

Editor's Note: This article was written by Avila freshman, Linda Morris and is reprinted in part from the *Avila Examiner*, student newspaper.

Outstanding Students Named

The 1983 edition of *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges* will carry the names of five students from Avila College, who have been selected as being among the country's most outstanding campus leaders.

Campus nominating committees and editors of the annual directory have included the names of these students based on their academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and future potential.

They join an elite group of students selected from more than 1,300 institutions of higher learning in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and several foreign nations.

Outstanding students have been honored in the annual directory since it was first published in 1934.

Students named this year from Avila College are: **Denise K. Kaufman, John Purpura, Darrek Porter, Bernadette M. Rodemann, and Jennifer A. McKenna.**

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Sr. Barbara Moore and Sr. Olive Louise listen to Marilyn Ferguson address the topic "Realizing Our Human Potential" on March 14 in Goppert Theatre. The theatre was filled to capacity as the speaker discussed her points on holistic health. The audience was given the opportunity to ask Ms. Ferguson questions and a reception followed the lecture.

Alumni Assist Admissions

Assisting the Admissions Representatives located on campus are several new Alumni Admissions Representatives in the central states:

Sussan Bingold, Minneapolis; Genevieve Vonnahme, Des Moines; Mary Ann Teixeira, Dallas; Joy Huber, Houston; Theresa Doyle Witt, Springfield, Mo.; Rita Boyle, Tulsa; and,

Judith Hall, Wichita.

One does not have to be an official Admissions Representative to assist in the contacting of potential Avila students.

Anyone who knows of a high school junior or senior interested in college and feels Avila may be the college for them, please fill in the information below.

STUDENT'S NAME _____ HIGH SCHOOL _____

STUDENT'S ADDRESS _____ PHONE NUMBER _____

(ZIP CODE) _____

ACADEMIC AREA OF INTEREST (IF KNOWN) _____ YEAR OF H.S. GRAD. _____

Please return this form to: Gary Forney, Director of Admissions,
 Avila College, 11901 Wornall Road, Kansas City, Missouri 64145.

Avila Alumni Events

- April 11-29 . . . Paintings — Thornhill Gallery, Katherine Bazak, Palo Alto, CA — Calif. Realism
- April 15 Alumni First Nighter "COMPANY" by Sondheim and Furth
 8 p.m. — Goppert Theatre
- April 18 "Is There Life after Art School?" Art Lecture
 7 p.m. — Whitfield Centre
 Bernard Greenwald, Painter, New Haven, CT
 Gene Samuelson, Art Director/Film Maker, New York, NY
- April 19, 20 . . . "THE CRUISE" by Sheryl North
 8 p.m. — ALT, O'Rielly Hall
 A sophisticated comedy of the absurd — original
- April 30 Avila Dance Theatre
 8 p.m. — Goppert Theatre
- May 1 Spring Concert
 8 p.m. — Goppert Theatre
- May 7 Alumni Hostesses/Hosts at Commencement Coffee
- May 12 Alumni Bridge Marathon
 Playoff — Marian Centre
- June 8 Executive Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
 Alumni Board Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
- June 11 AK-SAR-BEN

N.B. \$1 off regular price of all theatre productions and athletic events with Alum ID
 All Art Lectures are free.

In Memoriam

Condolences are extended to Avila Board of Trustee member, Mr. Jack Fallon at the death of his brother, Mr. William Fallon.